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SUBJECT: START FOLLOW-ON NEGOTIATIONS, GENEVA (SFO-GVA-V):
(U) REQUEST FOR GUIDANCE-001, JCIC AGREEMENT ON PRINCIPLES
AND PROCEDURES FOR COMPLETION OF CONTINUOUS MONITORING AT
VOTKINSK, AND ASSOCIATED LETTERS (CORRECTED)

REF: GENEVA 00846 (SFO-GVA-V-043)

Classified By: A/S Rose E. Gottemoeller, United States
START Negotiator. Reasons: 1.4(b) and (d).

11. This is SFO-GVA-V-040 -- Request for Guidance-001.

12. (S) The text at paragraph 5 is the Ad-Referendum to Governments Text of Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission (JCIC) Agreement Number 56 on Principles and Procedures for Completion of Continuous Monitoring at the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk. The text is accompanied by two letters: one regarding Settlement of Accounts (paragraph 6); and a second relating to Ground Transportation (paragraph 7). The text of the agreement and two letters were conformed during the START Follow-on Negotiations in Geneva during the fifth Geneva session of negotiations. One issue remains outstanding concerning Russia's acceptance of a change in how cost procedures will be handled for ground transportation of the items removed from Votkinsk (reftel), although the delegation believes that Russia will accept the U.S.-proposed reference to subparagraph 1(a)(iii) of Section II, which is contained in Section II, subparagraph 7(e) of the JCIC Agreement (see Reftel). Delegation requests authorization for JCIC Representative Taylor to sign the agreement and two letters.

13. Delegation believes this agreement should be signed only by the United States and the Russian Federation, and that the silent consent procedures of the JCIC Protocol be used in order to gain the assent of Belarus, Kazakhstan and Ukraine.

Moreover, given the time sensitive nature of this agreement, the delegation believes the United States and Russian Federation should temporarily observe the agreement as soon as it is signed.

¶4. Background and analysis is provided by Septel (Reftel).

¶5. (S) Begin text:

JOINT COMPLIANCE AND INSPECTION COMMISSION
AGREEMENT NUMBER 56
RELATING TO THE TREATY BETWEEN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND
THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS
ON THE REDUCTION AND LIMITATION
OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS
OF JULY 31, 1991

PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES
FOR COMPLETION OF CONTINUOUS MONITORING ACTIVITIES
AT THE MONITORED FACILITY AT VOTKINSK

The Government of the Republic of Belarus, the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Government of the Russian Federation, the Government of Ukraine, and the Government of the United States of America, hereinafter referred to as the Parties,

In accordance with the Treaty between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms of July

31, 1991, hereinafter referred to as the Treaty,

To improve the viability and effectiveness of the Protocol on Inspections and Continuous Monitoring Activities Relating to the Treaty, hereinafter referred to as the Inspection Protocol,

Have agreed as follows:

Article One

The following provisions shall constitute Annex 16 to the Inspection Protocol:

"ANNEX 16

PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES FOR COMPLETION OF
CONTINUOUS MONITORING ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED PURSUANT
TO PARAGRAPH 14 OF ARTICLE XI OF
THE TREATY AT THE MONITORED FACILITY AT VOTKINSK

¶I. General Provisions.

The Parties agree that for the purpose of completing continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the monitored facility at Votkinsk, no later than the date of expiration of the Treaty, or no later than the date the Treaty is superseded by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier, the following shall be carried out:

(a) The monitoring team leader shall provide the in-country escort with an official written continuous monitoring report for that month in the language of the inspecting Party, signed by the monitoring team leader and a member of the in-country escort, along with an unofficial translation of the report in the language of the inspected Party. This report shall have the same content as the report provided for in paragraph 2 of Section XVIII of the Inspection Protocol. Each Party shall retain one copy of the report.

(b) The monitoring team at the monitored facility at

Votkinsk shall cease its continuous monitoring activity and depart the territory of the inspected Party.

(c) The inspecting Party shall ensure that the buildings, structures, equipment, supplies, and other property located at the monitored facility at Votkinsk, included in the list noted in Section III of this Annex, are dismantled if necessary and are removed from the territory of the inspected Party and from the territory of the transit State Party to the Treaty, or are transferred or returned to the inspected Party in accordance with this Annex.

II. Procedures for Completion of Continuous Monitoring Activities Conducted Pursuant to Paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk.

11. Provision of logistical, transportation, and other support shall consist of the following:

(a) The inspected Party shall provide, at the request of the inspecting Party, support and assistance for the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the monitored facility at Votkinsk. Such support and assistance shall include:

- (i) provision of surface handling and other equipment needed for the dismantlement, packing, removal, and transport of structures, equipment, supplies, and other property from the monitored facility at Votkinsk;
- (ii) provision of materials needed for packing and preparing for the transport of structures, equipment, supplies, and other property from the monitored facility at Votkinsk. The procedure for providing these materials shall be determined by agreement between the monitoring team leader and the in-country escort;
- (iii) provision of ground transportation vehicles and related services needed for the transport of structures, equipment, supplies, and other property to and from the monitored facility at Votkinsk; and
- (iv) other support and assistance to be agreed between the monitoring team leader and the in-country escort.

(b) The inspecting Party shall have the right to deliver to the monitored facility at Votkinsk structures, equipment, supplies, and other property that are necessary for the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at that facility. Such additional structures, equipment, supplies, and other property shall be removed by the inspecting Party from the territory of the inspected Party no later than the date of expiration of the Treaty, or no later than the date the Treaty is superseded by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier.

(c) Ground transportation vehicles and related services provided by the inspected Party pursuant to subparagraph 1(a)(iii) of this Section shall be provided in accordance with the provisions contained in the Letters of the Representatives to the JCIC on the Procedures for Using Ground Transportation Vehicles for the Transportation of Cargo Consisting of Equipment and Supplies to or from the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk, dated March 20, 2002, and the Attachment thereto, as well as the Letters of the Representatives to the JCIC dated June 7, 2005, and (dates will be entered when letters are signed), 2009, hereinafter

referred to as the Letters of the Representatives to the JCIC.

(d) Ground transportation vehicles transporting structures, equipment, supplies, and other property from the monitored facility at Votkinsk, pursuant to subparagraph

1(a)(iii) of this Section, shall depart the territory of the Republic of Belarus no later than the date of expiration of the Treaty, or no later than the date the Treaty is superseded by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier.

(e) The inspecting Party shall have the right to conduct flights of inspection airplanes to deliver to, or remove from, the monitored facility at Votkinsk, monitors, as well as structures, equipment, supplies, and other property associated with the completion of continuous monitoring activities at that facility. Such flights shall be conducted into the airport associated with the monitored facility and shall be conducted in accordance with paragraph 4 of Section IV of the Inspection Protocol.

(f) The inspected Party shall examine structures, equipment, supplies, and other property to be removed from the monitored facility at Votkinsk. This examination shall be conducted by the in-country escort and technical experts of the inspected Party when such items are being dismantled and prepared for transport to the territory of the inspecting Party. Monitors shall be permitted to be present during such examinations.

12. Notifications provided in connection with the activities provided for in this Annex:

(a) The inspecting Party shall provide to the inspected Party a notification containing a request for the support or assistance provided for in subparagraphs 1(a)(i) and 1(a)(iv) of this Section, no less than 10 days prior to the date specified in the request for such support or assistance. The inspected Party shall respond to such a request no less than 5 days prior to the date specified in the request for such support or assistance. The Parties shall provide the notifications specified in this subparagraph through the Nuclear Risk Reduction Centers of the Russian Federation and the United States of America and through the National Agency for Verification and Inspections of the Republic of Belarus, using format number 144 ("Notification of Additional START Message").

(b) Notifications concerning the provision of ground transportation vehicles and related services, pursuant to subparagraph 1(a)(iii) of this Section, shall be exchanged by the Parties in accordance with the Letters of the Representatives to the JCIC.

(c) The inspecting Party shall provide to the inspected Party notification of an intention to conduct flights of inspection airplanes pursuant to subparagraph 1(d) of this Section. This notification, which shall be provided in addition to the notifications specified in paragraphs 17 and 18 of Section III of the Inspection Protocol, shall be provided no less than 10 days prior to the date of arrival of the airplane at the airport associated with the monitored facility at Votkinsk. This notification shall include a detailed listing of the additional structures, equipment, supplies, and other property intended for delivery to the monitored facility at Votkinsk. This notification shall also include information specified in paragraph 17 of Section III

of the Inspection Protocol. The information provided in this notification shall be updated in subsequent notifications provided by the inspected Party in accordance with paragraphs 17 and 18 of Section III of the Inspection Protocol. The inspecting Party shall provide the notification specified in

this subparagraph through the Nuclear Risk Reduction Centers of the Russian Federation and the United States of America and through the National Agency for Verification and Inspections of the Republic of Belarus, using format number 144 ("Notification of Additional START Message").

13. In addition to the provisions of paragraph 22 of Section V of the Inspection Protocol, the monitoring team leader and the in-country escort may, by agreement, arrange meetings between representatives of the mass media, monitors, and personnel of the inspected Party engaged in activities related to the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty both at the monitored facility at Votkinsk and the point of entry. Such meetings shall be arranged so as not to interfere with the completion of continuous monitoring activities.

14. Structures, equipment, supplies, and other property shall be transferred or returned using the following procedures:

(a) The inspecting Party shall transfer to the inspected Party all structures, equipment, supplies, and other property used by the inspecting Party at the monitored facility at Votkinsk that the inspecting Party does not remove from the territory of the inspected Party at the completion of continuous monitoring activities. Such structures, equipment, supplies, and other property may include those items that the inspected Party provided at the request and expense of the inspecting Party or structures, equipment, supplies, and other property that the inspecting Party provided at its own expense at the monitored facility at Votkinsk. The inspecting Party shall transfer such structures, equipment, supplies, and other property to the inspected Party, in a condition that is safe and suitable for further use, no later than the date of expiration of the Treaty, or no later than the date the Treaty is superseded by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier.

(b) The inspecting Party shall ensure that the buildings used by the monitoring team at the monitored facility at Votkinsk under the Treaty that were originally constructed by the inspected Party and first used by the inspecting Party under the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Elimination of Their Intermediate-Range and Shorter-Range Missiles of December 8, 1987, which include the monitoring team headquarters ("Roosevelt Building"), the building for storage of equipment and supplies ("warehouse"), and the buildings used by the monitors for permanent lodging and workspace ("Washington Building," "Jefferson Building," and "Lincoln Building") are returned to the inspected Party in a condition that is suitable for further operation. The inspecting Party shall return these buildings to the inspected Party no later than the date of expiration of the Treaty, or no later than the date the Treaty is superseded by

a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier.

15. The inspected Party shall not exact taxes, levies, apportionments, or other payments on the value of the following buildings, structures, equipment, supplies, and other property in connection with the completion of continuous monitoring activities at the monitored facility at Votkinsk in accordance with this Annex:

(a) structures, equipment, supplies, and other property of the inspecting Party that are transferred to the inspected Party pursuant to Section I of this Annex and subparagraph 4(a) of this Section;

(b) buildings that are returned to the inspected Party pursuant to Section I of this Annex and subparagraph 4(b) of this Section; and

(c) structures, equipment, supplies, and other property of the inspecting Party that are removed from the territory of the inspected Party pursuant to Section I of this Annex.

¶16. The Parties understand that equipment, supplies, and other property controlled by the "dual key" system at the monitored facility at Votkinsk shall be returned to the territory of the inspecting Party, unless otherwise agreed by the monitoring team leader and the in-country escort.

¶17. The financial responsibilities of the Parties shall consist of the following:

(a) Unless stipulated otherwise in this Annex, the inspecting Party shall bear the cost of goods and services provided by the inspected Party at the request of the inspecting Party in connection with the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the monitored facility at Votkinsk.

(b) Unless stipulated otherwise in this Annex, the inspected Party and the inspecting Party shall use the procedures set forth in Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol to settle accounts in connection with costs incurred in connection with the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the monitored facility at Votkinsk.

(c) The inspected Party shall bear the costs associated with structures, equipment, supplies, and other property of the inspecting Party that are transferred to the inspected Party after the completion of continuous monitoring activities pursuant to Section I of this Annex and subparagraph 4(a) of this Section.

(d) The inspected Party shall bear the costs associated with buildings that are returned to the inspected Party after the completion of continuous monitoring activities pursuant to Section I of this Annex and subparagraph 4(b) of this Section.

(e) The Parties shall use the procedures set forth in

the Letters of the Representatives to the JCIC to settle accounts for costs incurred in connection with the provision of ground transportation vehicles and related services pursuant to subparagraph 1(a)(iii) of this Section.

(f) The inspected Party and the inspecting Party shall agree on arrangements, based on the provisions of Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol, for the settlement of accounts remaining after the date of expiration of the Treaty or after the date the Treaty is superseded by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier.

(g) The monitoring team leader and the in-country escort shall develop procedures on-site for keeping a record of goods and services that are provided by the inspected Party at the request of the inspecting Party pursuant to the provisions of this Annex.

III. List of Buildings, Structures, Equipment, Supplies, and Other Property.

¶1. The monitoring team leader, together with the in-country escort, shall develop a list, in two copies, one for the inspecting Party and one for the inspected Party, consisting of three sections, of buildings, structures, equipment, supplies and other property used by the monitoring team at the monitored facility at Votkinsk.

¶2. Structures, equipment, supplies, and other property of the inspecting Party that are to be removed from the

territory of the inspected Party pursuant to Section I of this Annex shall be included in the first section of the list developed pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Section.

¶3. Structures, equipment, supplies, and other property of the inspecting Party that are to be transferred to the inspected Party pursuant to Section I and subparagraph 4(a) of Section II of this Annex shall be included in the second section of the list developed pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Section.

¶4. The buildings that are to be returned to the inspected Party pursuant to Section I and subparagraph 4(b) of Section II of this Annex shall be included in the third section of the list developed pursuant to paragraph 1 of this Section.

Article Two

¶1. In subparagraph 1(a) of Section I of Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol, the words and punctuation "Inspection Protocol; and" shall be superseded by the words and punctuation "Inspection Protocol;".

¶2. In subparagraph 1(b) of Section I of Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol, the words and punctuation "Annex 5 to the Telemetry Protocol." shall be superseded by the words and punctuation "Annex 5 to the Telemetry Protocol; and".

¶3. The following provision shall constitute subparagraph 1(c) of Section I of Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol:

"(c) the costs of goods and services associated with the implementation of Annex 16 to the Inspection Protocol."

¶4. In subparagraph 12(a) of Section I of Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol, the words "On-Site Inspection Agency of the United States of America" shall be superseded by the words "Defense Threat Reduction Agency of the United States of America".

Article Three

The following provisions shall constitute paragraph 19 of Section II of Annex 14 to the Inspection Protocol:

"19. Support and assistance associated with the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the monitored facility at Votkinsk:

(a) Surface handling and other equipment needed for the dismantlement, packing, removal, and transport of structures, equipment, supplies, and other property from the monitored facility at Votkinsk:

- (i) type of equipment;
- (ii) number of items of equipment of each type;
- (iii) dates on which the equipment was provided;
- (iv) number of hours for which such equipment was provided; and
- (v) estimated cost of the use of such equipment per unit of time.

(b) Materials needed for packing and preparing for the transport of structures, equipment, supplies, and other property from the monitored facility at Votkinsk:

- (i) description and quantity of the materials provided; and
- (ii) estimated cost of the materials(for each unit).

(c) Other goods and services provided by the inspected

Party at the request of the inspecting Party:

- (i) description of the service provided;
- (ii) dates on which the service was provided;
- (iii) estimated cost of each service;
- (iv) payments, if any, made when the service was provided;
- (v) description of equipment provided;
- (vi) number of items of equipment of each type;
- (vii) number of hours for which such equipment was provided; and
- (viii) estimated cost of the use of such equipment per unit of time (per day or per hour)."

Article Four

11. This Agreement shall enter into force on the day when the United States of America, the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Russian Federation, and Ukraine have consented to be bound by this Agreement and shall remain in force as long as the Treaty remains in force.

12. Signature of this Agreement for the Government of a Party shall express the consent of that Party to be bound by this Agreement. The consent of the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, and Ukraine to be bound by this Agreement shall be expressed by their Governments in accordance with paragraph 6 of Annex 1 to the Protocol on the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission Relating to the Treaty, hereinafter referred to as the JCIC Protocol.

13. This Agreement shall be temporarily observed by the United States of America and the Russian Federation pursuant to paragraph 7 of Annex 1 to the JCIC Protocol from the date of its signature until this Agreement enters into force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at on , in five originals, each in the English and Russian languages, both texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

End text.

16. (S) Begin text of U.S.-proposed joint draft text on Exchange of Letters on Settlement of Accounts Associated with the Completion of Continuous Monitoring Activities at the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk:

Exchange of Letters on Settlement of Accounts
Associated with the Completion of Continuous Monitoring
Activities
at the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk

(Place and Date to be Added)

Mr. Sergei M. Koshelev
Representative of the Government of the
Russian Federation to the Joint Compliance
and Inspection Commission

Dear Mr. Representative:

With respect to the settlement of accounts associated with the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the

Treaty Between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms, hereinafter referred to as the Treaty, at the monitored facility at Votkinsk, following the expiration of the Treaty or its supersession by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier, I have the honor to accept on behalf of the Government of the United States of America the proposal set forth in your letter of today's date to conclude an agreement on this issue, whose principal provisions are set forth below.

Under this agreement, our Governments would agree that, upon the expiration of the Treaty or its supersession by a subsequent agreement pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier, the accounts for goods and services provided within the framework of arrangements carried out by representatives of either Government in connection with the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty at the monitored facility at Votkinsk, shall be settled on the basis of the provisions contained in Annex 14 and Annex 16 to the Protocol on Inspections and Continuous Monitoring Activities Relating to the Treaty, hereinafter referred to as the Inspection Protocol. Our Governments would further agree that additional arrangements consistent with the provisions contained in Annex 14 and Annex 16 to the Inspection Protocol may be agreed upon by our representatives, as necessary, to ensure the effective implementation of this agreement.

This reply, together with your letter, shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Russia Federation, which shall enter into force on the expiration or supersession of the Treaty pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article XVII of the Treaty, whichever is earlier, and shall remain in force until all accounts associated with the completion of continuous monitoring activities at the monitored facility at Votkinsk have been settled.

I please accept, Mr. Representative, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Jerry A. Taylor
U.S. Representative to the
Joint Compliance and
Inspection Commission

End text.

17. (S) Begin text of U.S.-proposed joint draft text on Exchange of Letters on Ground Transportation Associated with the Completion of Continuous Monitoring Activities at the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk:

U.S.-Proposed
Joint Draft Text
October 6, 2009

Exchange of Letters on Ground Transportation

Geneva, Switzerland
October X, 2009

Mr. Sergei M. Koshelev
Representative of the Government of the
Russian Federation to the Joint Compliance

and Inspection Commission

Dear Mr. Representative:

In connection with the Letters of the Representatives to the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission dated March 20, 2002, on the Procedures for Using Ground Transportation Vehicles for the Transportation of Cargo Consisting of Equipment and Supplies to or from the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk and the Attachment thereto, and the Letters of the Representatives to the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission dated June 7, 2005, on such procedures, hereinafter referred to in the aggregate as the Agreement, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I have the honor to accept the letter of today's date to conclude an agreement on this issue, whose principal provisions are set forth below.

The Russian Federation proceeds from the premise that, in connection with the completion of continuous monitoring activities conducted pursuant to paragraph 14 of Article XI of the Treaty Between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms of July 31, 1991, at the monitored facility at Votkinsk in accordance with the provisions of Annex 16 to the Protocol on Inspections and Continuous Monitoring Activities Relating to the Treaty, hereinafter referred to as the Inspection Protocol, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Belarus, and the United States of America shall continue to fully implement the provisions of the Agreement until all ground transportation vehicles transporting cargo consisting of structures, equipment, supplies, and other property from the monitored facility at Votkinsk have departed from the monitored facility, arrived at and departed from the point of departure of the cargo, and have returned to the territory of the Russian Federation.

With respect to potential "points of departure of the cargo," the Government of the Russian Federation proposes the following changes to the Agreement:

11. For paragraphs 3, 4, and 5 of the Attachment to the Letters of the Representatives to the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission dated March 20, 2002, on the Procedures for Using Ground Transportation Vehicles for the Transportation of Cargo Consisting of Equipment and Supplies to or from the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk, the words "point of departure of the cargo at Frankfurt am Main or Darmstadt" shall be superseded by the words "point of departure of the cargo at Frankfurt am Main, Darmstadt, or Kaiserslautern."

12. For paragraph 11 of the Attachment to the Letters of the Representatives to the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission dated March 20, 2002, on the Procedures for Using

Ground Transportation Vehicles for the Transportation of Cargo Consisting of Equipment and Supplies to or from the Monitored Facility at Votkinsk, the words "Frankfurt am Main or Darmstadt" shall be superseded by the words "Frankfurt am Main, Darmstadt, or Kaiserslautern."

If the foregoing is acceptable, this letter together with your reply shall constitute an agreement between our Governments, which shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of our letters and shall remain in force until all ground transportation vehicles transporting cargo from the monitored facility at Votkinsk have returned to the territory of the Russian Federation. This agreement may be terminated 12 months after notification to that effect by one of the Parties to the agreement.

Please accept, Mr. Representative, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Jerry A. Taylor
Representative of the
United States of America
to the Joint Compliance

and

Inspection Commission

End text.

18. (U) Gottemoeller sends.
RICHTER